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May 10 Will Be Hospital Day In Miss. Churches

With grateful appreciation to Mississippi Baptists for continuing to designate Mother's Day as special hospital day throughout our state, Baptist Hospital officials look forward with anticipation to Sunday, May 10th.

Mrs. Gilfoy, Superintendent of the Hospital, states that throughout the year a number of pastors whose churches have not heretofore participated in the Mother's Day offering have indicated that they are going to lead their churches in the special Mother's Day offering this year.

A great deal of interest is being indicated in the fact that every cent that is given by Mississippi Baptists to the Mother's Day offering is used solely to provide hospitalization for helplessly sick people who can either provide only a part of their care for in some cases nothing at all.

In a folder entitled "Blessed are the Merciful" being mailed this week to Mississippi pastors the (Continued on Page Four)

Baptists Converge On Houston

HOUSTON, Tex.—Southern Baptists are coming in large numbers to Houston next week to attend the 96th session of the Southern Baptist Convention. Meetings will begin May 3 and continue through May 10 in the Sam Houston Coliseum.

Over 25,000 visitors are expected to throng the largest city in the South for the convention. Business is the sole reason for the meeting—but many of the messengers will use the trip to Houston as an opportunity for a vacation in Texas.

Preceding the main convention, Southern Baptist ministers will conduct their annual Pastors' Conference, May 4-5 in the Music Hall. Theme of the meeting will be "We've a Story to Tell." The Baptist leaders will discuss evangelism, pastoral duties, missions, and religious liberty.

Dr. Robert A. Baker, professor of church history at the Southwestern Seminary; R. C. Campbell, author, Bible lecturer and evangelist of Shelby, N. C.; W. Fred Swank, Sagamore Hill Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex.; F. Bredahl Petersen, president, Baptist Union of Denmark; Ivan Bennett, chief of chaplains, U. S. A.; and Billy Graham internationally known evangelist, will be the principal speakers.

And while the men are con- (Continued on Page Four)

Protestant Editors Urge U.S. Admit Refugees

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)—The Associated Church Press, at its 34th annual meeting here, called upon Congress to enact legislation enabling several hundred thousand European refugees to establish permanent residence in the United States within the next few years.

At the same time, the organization of Protestant editors urged Congress "in planning a much needed revision of the present immigration law, to remove from such law the discriminating provisions based on race or nationality which are embodied in the McCarran-Walter Act."

A resolution dealing with Palestinian Arab refugees was amended from the floor to recognize Jewish refugees in Israel as well.

As adopted, the resolution noted "with concern the continued plight of 850,000 Palestinian Arab

refugees, as well as the general deterioration of relations between the United States and the Arab nations." It urged Congress to authorize a committee to conduct an immediate study of the Palestinian situation "and of methods for improving governmental and inter-governmental programs of assistance."

It further urged that any steps taken by Congress "shall be in full recognition of the significance of the program of the State of Israel and providing opportunity and hope for the 800,000 Jewish refugees who have found haven within its borders."

Another resolution called upon the State Department to renew efforts "through effective channels" to secure the liberation of Christian missionaries still held in Chi- (Continued on Page Four)

All Marion Churches Enlisted For Stewardship Schools

First Association In State To Be 100 Per Cent

Rev. H. G. Ward, chairman of stewardship committee, Marion County Association has advised that every church in the association will observe Christian Stewardship Week, Oct. 18-25. According to W. R. Roberts, state chairman for Christian Stewardship Week this is the first association in the state to reach this goal as far as he knows.

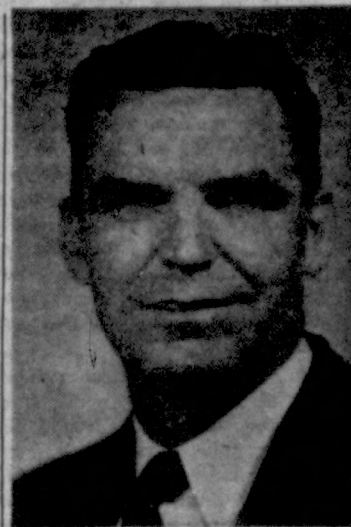
The Stewardship Committee has set Monday, September 14 for the Associational Rally which will be held at First Church, Columbia. The Rally chairman for the association is Dr. A. L. Gatewood. Others on the committee are: Rev. H. G. Ward, C. F. Miller, Knox Jacobs, Mrs. Mark Lowrey, Mrs. Van Davis, Rev. Reed Rogers and W. B. Burns.

State Assembly This Summer To Include Several New Features

The third annual Mississippi Baptist Pastor-Brotherhood Assembly this year will introduce several new features, studies in the Bible, doctrines, and homiletics, it has been announced by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary.

Leading in these will be such outstanding scholars as Dr. Wash Watts and Dr. E. N. Patterson of the faculty of New Orleans Seminary, as well as several outstanding state pastors.

The visiting leader to discuss Brotherhood work will be Bernard King, state Brotherhood secretary of Georgia. It has been announced by W. R. Roberts, state Brotherhood Secretary.



REV. H. G. WARD

Owen Cooper Emphasizes Opportunity Offered In Christian Education Week

Secty. Huggins Approves Exec. Committee Increase

BY M. A. HUGGINS

There appeared in the Baptist press recently an article by Dr. L. E. Barton of Montgomery, Alabama, concerning the enlargement of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. In the article Dr. Barton pointed out what he considered to be some dangers involved in such a change. We read with interest what Dr. Barton has to say because he has been associated with Baptist life for many years, and I am willing to concede that he wishes to see done that which is best.

Many, however, believe that a greater danger lies in NOT providing an Executive Committee that is representative; and certainly I think one could not now contend that the committee is in any sense representative of the great hosts of Southern Baptist.

In the first place, it should be pointed out that the membership of the committee has not been increased except slightly since its organization in the decade of the 1920's. It is my information that at that time one member was selected from each cooperating state plus nine members at large.

Not only has our membership doubled in these twenty-five years, but also the income of the convention has grown from some four million a year to some thirteen million. Dr. Barton thinks that herein lies one of the dangers, that we might have a committee too powerful. The answer to that, (Continued on Page Two)

By Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, Former Chairman of State Convention Committee on Christian Education

The observance of Christian Education Week by Mississippi Baptists offers a unique opportunity—unique in the sense that all pastors churches. Sunday School teachers, Training Union leaders, WMU workers, and others will be given an opportunity to tell anew to individuals and to their respective groups the thrilling story of Christian Education.

Every Christian who is interested in hearing good preaching and in having their preacher trained, in doctrinally sound institutions will be interested in the program of Christian Education; every parent who covets for his children the best influences and environment during the critical college years will be interested in the program of Christian Education; every Baptist who desires to maintain the distinctive characteristic of the denomination and to preserve allegiance to New Testament teaching will be interested in Christian Education; every person interested in the development of the denomination and in the training of leaders who will continue to supply inspiration and enthusiasm for direction of all denomination programs will be interested in Christian Education; every church member who is interested in fulfilling the injunction of the Great Commission will be interested in maintaining and improving those institutions that train all of our missionaries; every individual who has seen the miracle of transformation that takes place (Continued on Page Two)

ENLARGEMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

By PORTER ROUTH

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Executive Committee

The action to enlarge the Executive Committee did not originate in the Executive Committee but came as an instruction from the Southern Baptist Convention. The Southern Baptist Convention last year in Miami approved the following action, which was presented on the floor by Dr. M. A. Huggins, of North Carolina:

(1) The convention go on record as favoring an enlarged Executive Committee with the members of the Committee distributed as equitably as possible among the co-operating states of the convention.

(2) The convention authorize and direct the executive committee, in cooperation with the administrative officers of the institutions and agencies of the convention, and the state secretaries, and editors, to study the matter and bring from the December meeting a recom-

mendation to the 1953 convention.

The recommendation to be presented at Houston does not increase the duties or powers of the executive committee, but it only implements the action passed by the convention in Miami.

The budget of the executive committee is not as large as some think. The Southern Baptist Convention allocates \$75,000 out of the convention operating budget to the executive committee. By agreement the Sunday School Board provides \$60,000 of the Convention Operating Budget.

The proposed enlargement will increase the size of the executive committee about one-third. It must be borne in mind, however, that the membership of the Southern Baptist Convention has more than doubled since the executive committee was first set up, and the amount of money given for mis- (Continued on Page Two)

Many Sightseeing Opportunities Available For SBC Messengers

BY W. R. ESTEP, JR.

Pastor First Baptist Church
Heights, Houston, Texas

Baptists attending the Convention in Houston are going to have more free time than any messengers have ever had during a Southern Baptist Convention meeting. This means that more messengers will take advantage of the superlative sightseeing opportunities in a superlative city, the South's largest, and in a superlative state, the nation's biggest. In other words, sightseeing opportunities are typically Texan.

If you are interested in spots of historical value, one of the very first places on your list will be the world-famous San Jacinto Monument, which is 570 feet high, built to the tune of \$2,000,000. This monument commemorates the victory of General Sam Houston and his army of 910 Texans over the Mexican General Santa Anna and his men, numbering 1600. The monument also boasts of an excellent historical museum and an elevator to the top.

Nearby is the Ship Channel which enables Houston to be the second largest port in the United States, even though removed 50 miles inland from the Gulf. Near the monument rests the battle-scarred, but excellently preserved, Battleship Texas, which is also open to the public. However, a trip to the monument will not be complete unless you go through the Washburn Tunnel, thirty feet below the surface of the Ship Canal.

But if you are interested in the sea, ships of the sea, or the beach, you will enjoy visiting Galveston. Galveston is indeed a major tourist attraction. Its quaint, old-world architecture, its miles and miles of lovely beach, and its boats, ocean-going freighters, private yachts, excursion craft, and fishing vessels, with their shrimp trawls drying high in the air, draw the traveler with an irresistible tug.

Of course, if you want to see mission work in action, Houston will offer many opportunities. Spanish-speaking congregations abound. Tours of these Spanish-speaking missions and churches can be arranged if you desire.

For the educational-minded messengers, the University of Houston with its thousands of students will afford an interesting contrast to Rice Institute with its limited enrollment. Baylor Medical School in the heart of Texas Medical Center, will also prove inviting to those who are interested.

Houston itself offers excellent opportunities for sightseeing. Its buildings, seaport, churches, parks, and stores will satisfy almost any appetite for sightseeing adventure.

For those who want this sightseeing in ready-made packages, regular tours of the city and of the San Jacinto Battleground leave Rice Hotel daily.

Editor's Note: Let's all go to Houston for the Convention and work the sightseeing in as a side line and not reverse the order. After all, to be the messenger of a Baptist church is a responsibility as well as a privilege.

Secty. Huggins Approves

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It seems to me, is that the committee has to be a committee with some power. One principal argument for the enlargement of the committee is due to this very fact. If we need and must have a powerful committee, then it ought to be a representative committee. At the present time some of the smaller states with not more than thirty to forty thousand members have one representative on the committee, while states like Texas or Georgia, under the present limitations, can have no more than two.

Dr. Barton points out that the Southern Baptist Convention is not made up of the state conventions any more than the state convention is made up of the several associations. I submit that point is correct. The fact remains, however, that you have to have some plan for the selection of the Executive Committee. Under the present system one member is selected from each cooperating state. After all, the state is simply designated as a well defined area from which a member may be selected. Members of the committee appointed by the Southern Convention do not, of course, represent states. If some other division could be decided upon as fair, I think we would be just as willing to adopt that as to use the state boundaries as we do now.

Once again, the question of the added cost is used as an argument against such enlargement. Let us submit that it will cost a little more money, but it seems to me that I have read somewhere that "in a multitude of counselors there is safety."

Let me point out that under the present proposal the far larger states like Texas, Georgia, North Carolina, would not have more than four or five members, while each of the smaller states, say with fifty thousand members, would have one member. To many of us the proposed change seems more democratic and much fairer than what we now have.

This statement is in no sense a reflection on the present members of the Executive Committee. I have met with and worked with them for many years and hold them in high regard both as to ability and devotion to the job for which they have been selected. I can testify to the fact that they are very sensitive to the directions of the Convention. In the opinion of many of us, however, the time has come when the committee should be larger and more representative of the various interests of Southern Baptists.

—BR—

London—(RNS)—Membership of Baptist churches in the British Isles decreased by 3,453 during 1952 to make a total of 332,187, it was announced here. Sunday school enrollment, however, increased by 5,585 to 326,483 during the same period. There also was a gain of 519 teachers, making a total of 43,849.

New Officers Of BSU Council At MSCW



New officers of the BSU Council for MSCW at Columbus as shown here are as follows:

First row: (left to right) Frankie Weaver, Douglas Stevens, B. J. Runnels, Martha Pope, Myra Bishop. Second row: Catherine Mullens, Mary Jane Weaver, Emogene Harris, Sarah Marie Smith. Third row: Kim Alexander, Virginia Land, Barbara Kuykendall, Sylvia Duck, Pastor-Advisor, Dr. S. R. Woodson. Fourth row: Miss Kathryn Jasper, Student Secretary, Marjorie Norman, Nell Basinger, Jo Ann Howard.

Owen Cooper

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in the life of a college student when he has come under the influence of Christ through His being uplifted in the campus is interested in the program of Christian Education; every prospective college student who is interested in gaining wisdom as well as knowledge, character as well as facts, and integrity as well as information is interested in the program of Christian Education.

Christian Education Week offers an opportunity for every Mississippi Baptist to speak a word on behalf of an important facet of denominational life.

All of us know someone who in the future will be making the decision between a Christian College and some other; all of us know someone who is in a position to make a worthy contribution toward the support of parent who will face the problem of guiding a child in the selection of a college. Your part is to make a contact with this person on behalf of Christian Education Week. To the pastor there is an opportunity for a strong sermon on Christian Education.

To the Sunday School teacher there is an opportunity to state anew the Bible background for Christian Education.

The Training Union leader can relate the necessity of Christian Education for adequate training

Enlargement Of

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sions has increased more than five times.

It was certainly not in the mind of any member of the committee that the executive committee should be enlarged to such a place that it might consider itself a policy-making group. The only purpose was to make it more representative, as instructed by the convention. When the executive committee was set up, there were nine "at large" members, and the thought behind this was that these men should be so located that they could get to Nashville overnight on the train. Of course, with modern transportation it is possible for men to get to Nashville in a short time from any place in the Southern Baptist Convention, and so it has been felt by many that the representation should take into account the Baptist population; but

in church membership

The missionary organizations can re-emphasize the dependency of missions on Christian schools.

The parent can use the occasion of Christian Education Week to direct the child's thinking toward a Christian College for his education.

All can join in a fervent prayer that God's blessings will continue upon those institutions of Christ which have contributed toward the on going of His Kingdom!

a provision was made that no one state should have more than five members of the executive committee.

If I am any judge of the spirit of the executive committee, my sincere feeling is that these men who give their time to study prayerfully and thoughtfully the responsibilities committed to them would be the last men in the world to want to assume any authority or responsibility which was not specifically assigned to them in the operation of the convention's business. An examination of the actions of the executive committee will provide evidence on this point.

This discussion by Dr. Barton is a very healthy thing, and I hope that all Baptists will think through the best way for all of us to work together in doing that which God has committed to us.

I have a deep conviction that the Southern Baptist Convention, if it takes the time to get all of the facts, will usually make a very wise decision.

—BR—

The aching void in the hearts of parents when the last birdling has flown the nest, as well as the death of a loved one far away, are to be expected in the life of a missionary whose career becomes more meaningful when it has cost something. —Crystal (Mrs. W. W.) Enete, missionary to Brazil.

—DEAR PASTOR—

Don't Forget Mother's Day, May 10th

IT'S OPPORTUNITY DAY

For Your People to Have a Part in the Glorious Ministry
of Healing in Jesus' Name

"GIVE THAT OTHERS MAY LIVE"

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Baptist Record Specials For May*

The Baptist Record has several specials planned for its readers for May.

The issue of May 14 will feature the proceedings of the Southern Baptist Convention which will meet in Houston May 6-10.

The issue of May 21 will be a special edition on Christian Education with special emphasis on Christian Education Week May 31-June 5.

Both editions will carry pictures and other features which will be of special interest to our readers.

In another issue, perhaps in May, date yet undetermined, the record of Mission gifts of all the churches by associations will be carried.

This period will cover the first half of this Convention year, Nov. 1-April 30.

Our readers will want to look forward to these features in May.

—BR—

Real Opportunity Seen In VBS

A new season will soon be welcomed into Mississippi Baptist life, an annual season we have come to appreciate and welcome with increasing interest.

This season is that of the Vacation Bible School, one of the most important and fastest growing movements in our life.

There was a time when a Vacation Bible School was a rare thing in a church. Now it is rare if a church does not have one.

Every year more Vacation Bible Schools are held in our Southern Baptist churches and consequently more of our boys and girls are enlisted, taught and developed in every phase of the Christian life.

Sibley C. Burnett, associate in Vacation Bible School Department, Nashville, rightly pictures the Vacation Bible School as a servant of the churches with unlimited opportunities both for the boys and girls and as enlistment opportunity for using adults.

The Vacation Bible School enlists many boys and girls who are not enlisted otherwise in any other phase of church life.

Due to the foresight and vision of our Vacation Bible School leaders the program has been developed to a point where it is attractive to the young people and they eagerly look forward every year to the Vacation Bible School.

In thousands of churches this summer—city, suburban, village, country and town—Vacation Bible Schools will be held to the eternal glory of God.



Christian Home Week

We hope that every church is planning to observe Christian Home Week May 3-10.

It is our understanding that pastors, Sunday school superintendents, Training Union directors and leaders in W. M. U. and Brotherhoods have been supplied with information and literature. That means that we are without excuse if we do not observe this important occasion.

Most delinquents come from homes where Christ is not king. Anything that we can do to make for better homes will also make for better people.

Let's observe Christian Home Week.

—BR—

Give Your Pastor A Good Vacation

Vacation time is swiftly approaching, and NOW is the time to plan for your pastor to have a good vacation. After a few days with new scenery and new faces, he, like all of us, will come back to his work refreshed and invigorated.

The average pastor can do more in eleven months, following a month's rest than he can in twelve months with a tired beginning. He should not be expected to prepare sermons or in any way continue his work during his vacation, but it is natural that while he is resting he has more time for spiritual communion and will come back to the church with new ideas and new plans.

The church is also entitled to a rest. "Absence makes the heart grow fonder," and that works

two ways. Both church and pastor will love each other more after a vacation.

Most churches plan, but do not delay in notifying your pastor NOW that his vacation is a part of the church program. Full-time churches should give a month; half-time churches, two weeks, and quarter-time churches, one week.

Pay his salary in advance and assure your pastor that the church will carry on as usual in his absence and after his rest, will welcome him back.

—BR—

Chance To Help Camp Garaywa

Do you want an excellent opportunity to make a contribution to Camp Garaywa, one of Mississippi Baptists' greatest assets.

Camp Garaywa is the W. M. U. Camp located near Clinton that has served in a marvelous way the past few years in providing camping facilities for many of our organizations as well as the W. M. U. units.

W. M. U. Special Day will be observed Monday, May 4, and all the offerings beyond the goal of \$15,000 will go toward expansion and improvement of the camp.

The W. M. U. Special Day offering is an annual offering the proceeds of which go for Aged Ministers (Birthday and Thanksgiving) \$2,250; Camp Garaywa (Enlargement) \$4,000; Diamond Jubilee Observance \$5,000; Margaret Fund (Love Gifts) \$500; and Training School (Maintenance and Scholarship) \$3,250.

All offerings however collected above the \$15,000 goal will go to

ward much-needed expansion of the camp and those who wish to make a contribution can do so by contacting any of the W. M. U. officers in their church.

The State Pastor-Brotherhood Assembly and the State Training Union Assembly will meet there this summer as well as other groups, in addition to the regular W. M. U. Organizations.

—BR—

OUR READERS WRITE

Derma, Mississippi
April 22, 1953

Dear Bro. Goodrich:

I would like to ask a Baptist who had rather see her money go to missions rather than improving her church if she and her mother are living in the same house her mother started to housekeeping in without any of the conveniences and facilities we enjoy today; for instance, electricity, gas, radio, refrigerator, water, etc.

God blessed David, gave him rest from his enemies and a beautiful home. David looked at his house of cedar and then looked at the Ark of God which dwelt in curtains and there was a burning desire in his heart that the Lord have a better place to dwell in. That desire grew into the beautiful temple that Solomon built.

The Lord has blessed us, given us beautiful homes, many conveniences and because of these blessings it seems to me there should be a burning desire in every heart for the Lord to have a beautiful house with all the conveniences and facilities needed to glorify and honor His Holy name.

Yes, I believe in missions and I give to missions, but the Lord said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." First begin at home (Jerusalem) and I don't believe the people of a community or town can bear witness for Christ effectively either at home or abroad if they all dwell in beautiful homes with the conveniences of today that God has blessed us with and the house of the Lord stand as it was built fifty or sixty years ago with the same facilities when built.

Baptists count your blessings where-with the Lord has blessed you, consider your own habitation with its conveniences and compare it with the house of the Lord, and I pray there may be a burning desire in your heart to build a better house for the Lord. Maybe like David for some cause or other you might not be allowed to help build it in your life time, but could help gather the material that those after you (maybe your children) might build.

MRS. ERNEST BARTON.

Comment: Mrs. Barton refers to an article on page three in Our Readers Write column of the issue of April 16.

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na. The action was taken "in view of the consideration recently given to requests to governments within the Red orbit to release American civilians held as prisoners."

The ACP also urged the U. S. government "to make fresh proposals directed toward world disarmament. It said that an "apparent moderating of aggressive tactics of the Soviet Union" made such proposals timely.

The editors reaffirmed their belief that the United Nations offers the best hope for world peace. They commended President Eisenhower "for his expressed intention to make the United Nations not merely an eloquent symbol but an effective force," and they pledged the ACP to constructive criticism and to the task of informing readers of the church press of UN accomplishments.

In another resolution, the ACP urged the President "not to disregard the steadfast conviction of a majority of the American people that no diplomatic representative of the United States should be assigned to the Holy See." It expressed gratification that the nomination of such an ambassador was withdrawn by the previous administration "and has not been made by the present administration."

Dr. G. Elson Ruff of Philadelphia, editor of The Lutheran, was elected president.

He succeeds Dr. George Walker Buckner, Jr., of Indianapolis, editor of World Call, missionary publication of the Disciples of Christ.

Robert J. Cadigan of Philadelphia, editor of Presbyterian Life, was elected first vice president, and Mrs. David D. Baker of New York, editor of The Church Woman (interdenominational), was named second vice president. She is the first woman to be elected an officer of the ACP.

Mrs. Baker's husband was editor of The Messenger (Evangelical and Reformed), and served as ACP president from 1949 until his death in 1950.

Dr. William B. Lippard of New York, editor emeritus of Missions Magazine (American Baptist), was re-elected executive secretary and treasurer.

Appointed to the executive committee were Dr. Buckner, Cecil W. Robbins of the Christian Advocate (Methodist), Chicago; Andrew Vance McCracken of Advance (Congregational-Christian), New York, and Edward J. Wilson of The United Church Observer, Toronto.

Circulations 6,750,000

Member papers of the Associated Church Press have a total circulation of 6,750,000 and reach an estimated audience exceeding 20 million readers, it was reported by executive secretary and treasurer, Dr. William B. Lippard of New York.

The ACP comprises editors of Protestant publications in the U. S. and Canada.

One highlight of the editors' meeting was a meeting with President Eisenhower in his White House office. In addressing the editors, The President expressed his appreciation for the influence of the religious press and also the

hope that the circulation would soon grow from the present 6,750,000 to double that number.

A symposium by five editors dealt with editorial problems and their solutions. Participants were Alfred P. Klausler of the Walther League Messenger, youth publication of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod; Louis B. Reynolds, The Message Magazine (Seventh-day Adventist), Mrs. David D. Baker, The Church Woman (interdenominational), Alfred Hassler, Fellowship Magazine (Fellowship of Reconciliation), and Peter D. A. y, The Living Church (Episcopal).

A feature of this year's meeting was a series of editorial clinics, several of which were conducted by editors and other executives of outstanding publications in the secular field. Oliver Allen, education editor of Life Magazine, discussed how to make the most effective use of pictures and art features; Donald Hobart, vice president and director of Research, The Curtis Publishing Company, led a clinic which examined reader surveys and their values to the church press; and Robert Fuoss, managing editor of The Saturday Evening Post, led the clinic which considered the tasks of an editor.

A clinic on news services and news interpretations was led by Dr. G. Elson Ruff, editor of The Lutheran.

Advocates Every Family Plan

Robert H. Heinze, associate general manager of Presbyterian Life, conducted a clinic on circulation. Mr. Heinze urged church publications to adopt, whenever possible, some circulation method similar to "Every Home Plan."

According to Mr. Heinze the plan seeks to enroll whole congregations by families. While individual subscriptions are accepted at regular rates, an especially low price is offered to subscribers under the Every Home Plan.

A clinic on the use of feature articles in the religious press was led by Clarence W. Hall, executive editor of the Christian Herald.

Canon Theodore O. Wedel, of Washington (D. C.) Cathedral's College of Preachers, declared that liberal Christianity is on its way out in church life here and abroad.

Dr. Wedel warned that mere "ethical idealism" is a "one-story" kind of Christianity that fails to deal with the basic Christian beliefs about sin, death and eternity.

Followers of liberal Christianity he said, have a "watered-down" conception of Christianity, "a Christianity without God and which sees Christ as sort of a super-Socrates or Christian Confucius."

Dr. Wedel expressed the conviction that "we are rediscovering the Christianity of our fathers," and added that a movement for a genuine "theological interpretation" of the Bible is sweeping through churches and seminaries "and seeping down to the laity."

He urged the church press to preach and teach "a Biblical Theology."

"Not back to orthodoxy," he said, "but on to orthodoxy."

Among others who addressed the church editors were Paul Duncan, The State Department's Director

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ferring the fairer sex will hold its annual Woman's Missionary Union meeting in the Coliseum. They convene May 3-5.

Four thousand lady delegates from twenty-four states, Alaska, Hawaii, China, Japan, Africa, and South America are expected to attend the meeting.

Regular sessions of the convention will be held Wednesday through Sunday. Dr. J. D. Grey, New Orleans, La., president of the convention, will preside over the business sessions.

For inspiration, the convention will offer such speakers as Homer Lindsay, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla.; Howard Butt, grocery store executive, Corpus Christi, Tex.; Harold K. Graves, president of the Golden Gate Seminary, Berkeley, Calif.; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

A special service is planned for Sunday afternoon to stress the place of the Christian home in our society. Dr. Ralph A. Herring of Winston-Salem, N. C. will be the principal speaker of the afternoon; the program is being arranged by Dr. Joe W. Burton, editor of the Department of Home Curriculum, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

The United Baptist evangelistic rally Sunday-evening will conclude the Southern Baptists' stay in the

of Information of the Technical Cooperation Administration, and Stringfellow Barr, president of the Foundation for World Government and author of "Let's Join the Human Race" and "Citizens of the World."

RECORDING SETUP AVAILABLE AT HOUSTON

The Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will provide a recording setup at the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, May 5-10. Space and outlets will be provided for wire and tape recorders.

This complete service has been provided by the Radio Commission for a number of years, and there is a nominal service charge. Those desiring to use a wire or tape recorder at the convention in Houston should make reservations immediately by writing to the Radio Commission in Atlanta, Georgia. The service charge is \$3.

—BR—

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS in North America in 1950 reached a new high in church contributions, each member giving an average of \$174 for the year, according to a report issued at General (world) Headquarters of the denomination at Takoma Park, Md. This was an average of 17 per cent of their net income, before taxes, or some \$26,314,497. In 1951, the Adventists gave an average of \$158 each, second only to members of the Free Methodist Church, with per capita contributions of \$194.

city. Dr. J. D. Grey, New Orleans, La., will highlight the night's program.

The public is invited to attend any and all of the sessions and rallies of the convention.



May 10 Will Be

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five year record of free hospitalization provided by the hospital in the years 1948-1952 is shown to amount to \$341,551.42.

The folder indicates also that approximately 10,000 needy people during this five year period have been ministered to either by being provided full hospitalization without charge or by receiving liberal discounts when they could not make their own way alone.

Word comes from other states that Southern Baptists are as never before rallying around their hospital ministries as they are coming to a better understanding and realization of the wonderful opportunity God has given Baptists in the ministry of Christian healing.

One state alone contributed almost \$160,000 through their own Mother's Day offering last year. You as one of thousands of Mississippi Baptists will have an opportunity on Sunday, May 10th to give to the Mother's Day Hospital Fund thereby sharing with others the privilege of healing in His name the bodies and souls of a great host of our fellow men. Won't you give generously? Remember—Many are depending upon you!

—BR—

Youth Week was observed by the Houlika Church during the week of April 12-19. Youth pastor was Duane Burgess, who is a pre-med student at Mississippi College. All the other church offices were filled by young people of the church. According to Mrs. John Collums, they did a good job.

TWO GREAT MASTER YOUTH FOR CHRIST RALLIES

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FRANK HORTON

Baptist students throughout Mississippi join the BSUs of Sunflower Junior College in regret over the recent resignation of Mr. Frank Horton as BSU Secretary there. However, as he goes to First Church, Canton, the prayers of all of us will follow. We appreciate Frank and thank God for what He has accomplished through Frank at Moorhead.

MISCELLANEA

"About the best way to evaluate a retreat," writes Miss Jane Ray Bean, Student Sec'y for Blue Mtn., "is to wait and see what the students say when they get back. It seemed to be very meaningful to our students..." We are thankful for this and for our feeling that the Retreat this year was the best of the eight in which we have

had a part. Dr. and Mrs. Rouse, Miss Kathleen Taylor, Miss Katherine Irwin and many others from Woman's College, and Mr. Riley Munday and his Miss. Southern BSUs did a magnificent job of entertaining us. And all on program were used to bless.

We're mighty happy that Mr. Harold N. Gully, grad of Miss. State and of N. O. Seminary, is now BSU Sec'y for Pearl River Jr. New BSU Presidents not already mentioned are Troy Myers, for E. Central Jr.; Dell Mays, for Sunflower Jr. Student Secretaries or Faculty Advisers, please send us complete list of your new Council.

Seventy-four attended Jones Jr. banquet, with Riley Munday speaking; 14 BSUs participated in Jones County Baptist Hour.

SSM campaign, with the money coming in at Retreat or thereabouts, now stands at \$1452.32.

Picture and complimentary mention are made of Mississippian Chester Swor, Blue Mtn., grad Miriam Preston, in May Baptist Student.

Miss. Southern BSU is active in City-Wide Youth Revival now going on in Hattiesburg with Buckner Fanning, Eddy Nicholson. Please remember prayerfully.

We're thankful that the State Baptist Exec. Comm. recently made a grant for Miss. State's BSU Center lot.

Christian Home Week, May 3-10, is pertinent to students for the Home is basic and indispensable.

SUMNER CALLS NANNEY

Rev. Joe Nanney, a native of North Carolina, has accepted the pastorate at Sumner. He succeeds Rev. H. R. Herrington who resigned recently to accept a pastorate in Louisiana.

Mr. Nanney recently graduated at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with the degree of Master of Theology. Mrs. Nanney is also a native of North Carolina.

The Nanneys are moving to Sumner this week and he will preach his first sermon on May 3.

Mt. Zion Church Calls Billy R. Greene

Mt. Zion Church, Independence, has taken the progressive step of going full-time and calling Rev. Billy R. Greene as pastor.

The congregation has recently occupied a new brick building, valued at \$22,000 and comprising a sanctuary and eight educational rooms.

The church has also adopted a unified budget, remodeled the pastor's home and installed a heating system.

The Rev. Mr. Greene was formerly pastor of Palmer and Fellowship Churches in Tiptah County.

He and his family have already moved on the field where they were greeted by a well-filled pany.

SULLIVAN RESIGNS NATCHEZ PASTORATE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS

Dr. W. A. Sullivan, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Natchez for 26 years, has resigned because of his serious continued illness.

However, the church was reluctant to accept his resignation and only did so after electing him as pastor-emeritus, and stipulated that as soon as he had recovered from his illness, he should again serve as pastor.

Rev. Sayne Coleman, third year student at the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, will serve as supply pastor from May 1 through August 31. Coleman is a Mississippian and a graduate of Mississippi College.

In this year, 1953, we have an urgent message to you from Chile — We need a revival! It needs to begin with us, our national leaders and pastors, and with all of our church members and through this group to those who need to know Christ. We need more Christians who are willing to live for Christ; we need more young people who are willing to dare to do for Christ. We have opportunity and the liberty to go forward. What we lack is the revival. Won't you pray with us that, if it is His will we may see such a revival begin? — John A. and Ruby Parker, missionaries to Chile.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

April 26, 1953

New Albany, First	559	139
Mission	39	10
Hattiesburg, Main Street	950	285
Laurel, Second Avenue	505	174
Laurel, First	593	204
West Laurel	479	153
Mission	83	42
Jackson:		
Calvary	1604	491
Main School	1501	425
Mission	103	66
First	1502	465
Highland	163	126
Southside	397	180
Daniel Memorial	680	325
Northside	611	139
Westview	243	198
Van Winkle	497	253
Parkway	549	384
Crestwood	223	112
Broadmoor	284	188
Paul Truitt (Rankin Co.)	400	180
Meridian, Highland	84	59
East Corinth	230	105
Columbus, Southside	215	
Main Church	15	
Mission	801	284
Main	499	226
Southway	58	36
Halbert Heights	44	22
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	165	90
Bay St. Louis, First	164	73
Biloxi, First	564	
Harmony (Jones)	154	78
Laurel, Highland	200	88
Bethlehem (Jones)	187	81
Handsboro	246	132
Meridian, Southside	401	182
Carthage	213	90
Crowder	190	91
Louisville, First	498	138
Kosciusko, Second	197	128
Concord (Chectaw)	106	86
Chester	90	67
Hattiesburg, First	654	235
Midway (Lauderdale)	127	82
Pleasant Ridge		
(Chickasaw)	62	63
Grenada, First	712	163
Hattiesburg, Temple	614	225
McComb, Friendship	188	104
Columbus, East End	251	113
Calhoun City, First	389	136
Columbus, First	881	293
Newton	504	230
McComb, Locust Street	96	70
Hernando, First	219	113
Grenada, Emmanuel	229	109
Bethel (Amite)	33	61
Longview (Oktibbeha)	79	48
Morton	325	141
Laurel, Wildwood	150	65
Center Ridge (Yazoo)	159	131
Holly Bluff	139	97
Itta Bena, First	229	103
Clarksdale	750	106
Raymond	200	82
Gulfport, First	981	378
Fair River (Lincoln)	126	73
Wayside (Yalobusha)	25	
Ruth	58	59
Sand Hill (Jones)	77	52
Houlka (Chickasaw)	117	46
Enterprise	147	69
Kosciusko, First	710	253
Pleasant Ridge (Holmes)	89	95
Ruleville	283	153
Ruleville	253	86
Calvary Mission	30	67
Crystal Springs, First	668	176
Gulfport, New Hope	103	44
Friendship (Lincoln)	79	50
Clinton	527	235
Yazoo City, Calvary	188	155
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	571	243
East McComb	467	190
Logtown	69	25

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

Below is a listing of ensembles, choirs, and hymn players participating in the first week of the District Music Festivals, April 13, 17. A total of 34 ensembles and 67 hymn players entered the District Festivals during the week with a total enrollment of 580. 1663 people were present for these festivals, for the first week.

Ensembles: Washington, Union, Excellent; First Natchez, Excellent; First Brookhaven, Superior; Moak's Creek-Lincoln, Good; First Brookhaven (Large Ensemble) Excellent; Monticello-Lawrence, Superior; First Brookhaven (Junior Choir) Excellent; Macedonia-Lincoln, Good; Friendship-Lincoln, Good; Pearlhaven-Lincoln, Excellent; Magnolia, First, Superior; East McComb, Superior; Friendship-Pike, Superior; Magnolia First Excellent; Centerville-Mississippi, Good; Mt. Vernon-Miss., Excellent; Magnolia First, Suprior; First Gulfport, (Girls' Ensemble); Superior; Calvary-Pascagoula, Good; Lucedale-George, Excellent; First Pascagoula (Carol) Superior; East Side-Gulf Coast, Good; Pascagoula First (Large) Excellent; First Picayune, Superior, First Gulfport (Instrumental) Good; East Side-Gulf Coast-(Mixed Choir) Excellent; Raleigh-Smith, Superior; Ora-Covington, Excellent, Magee, Excellent; Whitesand-Jeff Davis, Excellent; Lorena Smith, Good; Mt. Zion-Simpson, Excellent, Magee (Large) Excellent; Hymn Players: Pat Herring, Natchez,

Excellent; Linda Alderman, Port Gibson, Superior; Billy Tucker Horne, Natchez, Excellent; Elah May Jennings, Vicksburg, Good; Anne Douglas, Immanuel-Vicksburg, Excellent; Ruby Morris-Fellowship-Natchez, Good, Bobby Sue lent; Fern Thomas, First Natchez, Superior; Regina Harlan, Friendship-Natchez-Good; Sarah Lou Flowers, First Brookhaven, Excellent; Carolyn Ann Wilkinson-New Sight-Lincoln, Good; Sue Carolyn Nicholson, Ruth, Excellent; Michael Stamps, Bogue Chitto, Excellent Myra Lyn Nettles, Gum Grove-Lincoln, Good; Judith Ann Wilson, Carmel-Lawrence, Good; Joyce Bowman, Big Springs-Lincoln, Excellent; Doris Lynn Vaughn, Friendship-Lincoln, Good, Barbara Britt, Mt. Zion-Lincoln, Excellent, Billie Jean Rutledge, Mt. Zion-Lincoln, Excellent; Douglas Davis-New Sight, Lincoln Excellent, Neil Bowman-Little Bahala-Lincoln, Superior, Bettie Catherine Posey, Pleasant Grove-Lincoln, Excellent, James Oliver Allen-Calvary-Lawrence, Excellent; Ernestine Case, Macedonia-Lincoln Excellent; De Lois Ann Smith, Philadelphia-Lincoln, Superior; Glen Dora Thornhill, Moak's Creek-Lincoln, Good; Faye Griffin, Pearlhaven, Excellent; Peggy Jean Fern, Oak Grove-Miss., Superior; Lorraine Netteville, Lux, Miss., Superior, Carolyn Lewis-Crosby-Miss., Superior; Ione Williams Gillsburg-Miss., Superior; (To Be Continued)

Mrs. S. E. Ayers, Southern Baptist missionary of the former staff, has suffered the loss of her mother, Mrs. W. A. Bennett, who died March 15 in Hattiesburg, Miss. Mrs. Ayers, a native of Hattiesburg, and her husband are now living in Florida and may be addressed care Student Health Department, University of Florida, Gainesville.

The Southside Church recently held a revival in their mission on Bell Avenue in Columbus. There were 9 addition for Baptism and two by letter in the meeting. Plans are being made now to get property for the permanent establishment of a building.

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Mont Rose (Clarke)	96
New Hope (Gulfport)	99
Sand Hill (Jones)	52
Hernando, First	272
Yazoo City, First	487
Wayside (Yalobusha)	35
Pleasant Ridge (Holmes)	85

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Let's All Go to Our District Conventions

If you are from one of these associations	Your district convention will be held at	On This Date
Lafayette — Marshall Union Co. — Pontotoc		
Tippah — Benton	Oxford	June 8
Lee — Itawamba — Alcorn		
Tishomingo — Prentiss	Saltillo	June 9
Calhoun — Lowndes		
Zion — Monroe		
Clay — Chickasaw	Vardaman	June 10
Choctaw — Neshoba		
Oktibbeha — Kemper		
Winston — Noxubee		
New Choctaw	Ackerman	June 11
Newton — Clarke		
Jasper — Lauderdale	Meridian, First	June 12

SUMMER WORK PROGRAM

The Baptist Training Union Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board will employ a limited number of college or seminary students this summer for a period of five weeks, July 12 to August 14 to do Training Union field work.

This work will be under the direct supervision of an Associational Missionary or an authorized person in the association. Associational Missionaries or Associational Training Union Directors desiring to secure the service of students for this program should make such requests directly to the state Training Union Department.

This is a summer mission program. The primary purpose is to organize new Training Unions, enlist leadership for the church training program and develop the work generally in the churches.

Students desiring to participate in this program should make application on forms which will be provided upon request to the Department.

Assembly Notes



Dr. Joe T. Odle
Young People

Because all who will want to come will not be able to come for the full time, the assembly program is being arranged this year so that each of the three full days will feature one region composed of five districts.

On these days we will have a regional elimination in the Intermediate Sword Drill and in the Young People's Speakers' Tournament, with the winners returning on Thursday evening for the state finals.

(If the regional winners do not come to the assembly for the entire week, travel expenses will be paid by the Training Union Department when they return for the state finals.)

SCHEDULE OF REGIONAL ELIMINATIONS

Tuesday, July 7, 11:10 a. m.—Southern Region (Districts 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15)
 Wednesday, July 8, 11:10 a. m.—Central Region (Districts 1, 2, 8, 9, 10)
 Thursday, July 9, 11:10 a. m.—Northern Region (Districts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)
 Thursday, July 9, 7:00 p. m.—STATE FINALS.

Advertise the assembly through associational meetings and in other ways. Seek to get a large number of people to come to Garaywa on the day featuring your Region and perhaps make it a picnic affair.

Those who desire to come for the full week, send your reservation fee of \$2.00 to the Baptist Training Union Department now.



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REV. SAM JONES

Rev. Sam Jones, pastor in Louisiana, will be the evangelist in a revival at Barton Church, George County, beginning May 10-17. Rev. J. W. Dubose is pastor.

—BR—

Toxish Church Has Fine Youth Week

Toxish church in Pontotoc county conducted a most successful Youth Week with the following as highlights.

Sunday night, April 12, a candle-light installation service of all Youth Week officers and the sermon by the Youth Week pastor, Towery Ware, who was recently licensed to preach.

Wednesday night, the young people and many adults joined in a picnic supper on the church yard before the prayer meeting service which featured Rev. Paul Brown, of Mississippi College, chalk talk artist.

Saturday night, the young people were honored at a beautifully planned Rainbow Banquet, with the deacons and training union leaders as invited guests, and Rev. William Watson, of Houston, as speaker.

Sunday, April 19th, all activities of the church were conducted by the young people with the morning and evening messages by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Thompson, Jr.

—BR—

Clinton Church Receives \$1,000 For New Building

The old proverb "Out of sight, out of mind" doesn't apply to P. M. B. Self prominent Baptist layman of Marks. Although more than 50 years have passed since he was a student at Mississippi College, he is still loyal to the college and the church. Most recent proof of this loyalty was a check for \$1,000 to the Building Fund of Clinton Baptist Church. In his letter of transmittal, Mr. Self wrote:

"I hope the people all over the state will realize that they are not providing a church for Clinton people but assisting the Clinton people in their attempt to provide facilities for our boys and girls that we send there to college. It has been more than 50 years since I first went to Mississippi College and I well remember how sacrificial the members of the faculty and others were in carrying on the church work and know that has been their practice all through the years. Certainly it is the duty of Baptists throughout the state to make it possible for our young preachers, missionaries and future laymen to have as nearly ideal church relations in their development as can be provided.

"Dr. Lipsey, whose memory I revere, was pastor during my stay in Clinton. May I have the privilege of dedicating this contribution to his memory."

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

TEMPLE BAPTIST (Hattiesburg) BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZED

By IRVIN M. PRINCE, Pastor. Under the leadership of Mr. W. R. Roberts, State Brotherhood Secretary of Mississippi, a complete Brotherhood organization was set up last Tuesday night. The following officers recommended by a nominating committee were elected: President, L. E. Ellzey; Membership, vice-president, Bryce J. McMahan; Program Vice-President, W. L. Shappley; Activities vice-president, Charles A. Still, secretary and treasurer, M. L. Trussell; Chorister, T. C. Rainey.

Many times when people present themselves for membership in a church, the pastor asks them to be seated, thus ending the progressive march of victory for them in their church. The work of the Brotherhood is to take every man and help him to become enlisted and active in some phase of the Lord's work. An athlete does not train by warming a bench on the side line. He must get into the plays and learn the game. Neither does a man develop in God's work by sitting in a comfortable pew. Through the Brotherhood the man is brought face to face with a task. Through cooperation and guidance he becomes a positive power in his church. There is a place in the Brotherhood for every

man redeemed by the blood of Christ. Many men are members of the church but belong to everything else. God lead us to enlist our men in this great move.

—THE BUILDER.

Association Brotherhood Reports Leflore Association

The Leflore Associational Brotherhood met with an attendance of 95, 6 churches represented, 4 Brotherhood presidents and 4 pastors. There are 10 churches in the association with 4 of them with Brotherhoods. There is a total enrollment of 112 in all the Brotherhoods in the Association. Reported by L. L. Hutchinson.

Lebanon Association

The Lebanon County Associational Brotherhood met this quarter with 78 present and 1 visitor. There were 15 churches represented and 12 pastors present. Reported by W. C. Rainey.

Lauderdale Association

Attendance at the Lauderdale Associational Brotherhood meeting that was held at Mt. Herab Baptist Church, March 17, was 196. Meal was served by the host church, five minute talk was made on organizational work, 20 minute talk on the local Brotherhood and then the film "Dedicated Men" was shown. 21 out of 23 Brotherhoods were represented, 17 presidents, 7 pastors, and 9 visitors. Reported by C. A. Seale.

Now Is Time For Church To Prepare To Observe Christian Education Week

BY JOE ABRAMS

Director of Promotion

Now is the time to begin to prepare for observance of Christian Education Week, May 31-June 5.

The suggested procedure for immediate attention is to lead the church to commit itself to the observance and then appoint a Christian Education Committee.

This committee would then work with the pastor in making general plans for the week, as suggested below:

Sermon by pastor Sunday morning on Christian Education. Christian Education Emphasis in all Sunday School Departments and Lessons taught in all classes on Christian Education.

Christian Education Emphasis in All Training Union Departments and Programs in all Unions on Christian Education.

Prayer Meeting devoted to Christian Education Testimonies. Brotherhood Meeting to feature Christian Education.

W. M. U. and All its Organizations to sponsor Christian Education Programs. Banquet honoring Intermediates with Christian Education Emphasis.

Any other features suggested by Committee.

Booklets of materials and information will be supplied to all churches in May to be used by the organizations in the observance.

For best results the pastor will want to confer with the organizational heads on the best distribution of the material.

MSCW BSU Conducts Installation Service

"Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord" (Isaiah 62:3a) was the theme for the recent installation of the 1953-1954 officers of the Baptist Student Union at Mississippi State College for Women.

Those installed were: President—Bette Jo Runnels, Pascagoula; 1st vice president—Nell Basinger, Aberdeen; 2nd vice president—Martha Pope, Aberdeen; 3rd vice president—Myra Bishop, Booneville; secretary—Sarah Marie Smith, Como; Treasurer—Kim Alexander, Itta Bena; Publicity director—Barbara Kuykendall, Newton; literature chairman—Virginia Land, Clinton; Music chairman—Frankie Weaver, Houston; extension chairman—Marjorie Norman, New Albany; Sunday School Supt.—Catherine Mullins, Prentiss; Training Union Director—Jo Ann Howard, West; Baptist Players Director—Douglas Stevens, Forest; YWA President, Emogene Harris, Johns; Freshman Representative, Sylvia Duck, Louisville; Town Representative—Mary Jane Weaver, Columbus.

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THAT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Yes, Sir, Brother Pastor and Brother Superintendent, Vacation Bible School time has come again.

We freely admit that it does not seem very long since it was with us before, but time does get by, and so now we are at the time of the year again for our Vacation Bible schools.

It is a glorious time. The time when we make special plans for these schools that mean so much to our boys and girls. Last year we had in Mississippi 1159 of these schools, with an enrollment of more than 100,000 and 500 professions of faith.

The Vacation Bible school, when properly promoted and directed, will mean as much, or more, than the average revival meeting in winning the boys and girls to Christ.

What shall we do to get ready for these schools? Here are some things:

1. Decide to have it. Some one must make that decision. It may be the pastor, the Sunday School superintendent, a teacher, a deacon, or some one else, but some one must do it. That is the first step.

2. Set the date. That is imperative. The date must be set so we will know the school will be held and also to make specific plans for the exact time.

3. Get the faculty. This cannot be done too early. The earlier the better. One of the reasons for so many schools of inferior quality is that the faculty is not selected and enlisted early enough for them to be ready to do their best.

4. Get books and materials. All books and materials and supplies should be ordered and gathered far in advance of the date of the school so the officers and teachers will have ample time to make proper preparation. This will increase both the length of school and also the effectiveness of it. Let's work to have the very best school possible in every church. Books and materials may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store Jackson, Miss.

5. Train the faculty. This training of the workers should be begun far in advance so the workers will have plenty of time to prepare. It takes time to learn. Getting ready for a Vacation school cannot be done in a day or two, or even several of them. It takes longer than that.

The books are so complete that workers without previous training can do a good job by simply following the programs that are in the books. Each item of work for every department for every day is completely and thoroughly given in the books, and that includes the Bible and Character stories for each day. Follow the books.

6. Advertise the school. Let the people know about it. Talk about it; preach about it; teach about it; have posters, bulletins, parades, etc., etc., anything to let the boys and girls, and their parents, know such a school is to be, and when.

Do these six things and you will

have a good school.

And, by the way, by all means, have a ten day school. Let's not deprive the boys and girls of the extra time by having one for less than ten days. The second week will be twice as productive as the first week, and it takes no more time to train the faculty for a two-weeks school than for one of one week.

Want Some Free Literature?

Would you like to have one of the free packages of Vacation Bible school promotional literature?

Well, all right, just write us and we shall be only too glad to send it. It is free but very helpful in your plans for getting ready for your school.

Want A Bus Ride To Ridgcrest, June 18-24?

We are running a nice large bus to Ridgcrest for the first Sunday School week, June 18-24.

Do you want a place on it? We shall be glad to hold one for you if you will only let us know.

It will leave the Baptist Building, Jackson, in the early morning of Wednesday, June 17, and return on June 25, late afternoon. The full price for the entire trip, transportation, hotels going and coming, and while at Ridgcrest, will be about \$50.00 or \$60.00. You will have to make your own reservation there. Write us.

More Standards

Nursery Department—Jackson Northside, Mrs. Ainsworth, Supt.; Laurel Second Avenue, Mrs. William Rogers, Supt.

Beginner Department—Clarksdale First, Mrs. I. E. Freeman, Supt.

Primary Department—McComb First, Mrs. Donie Odom, Supt.; Mendenhall, Mrs. J. A. Pigott, Supt.

Primary Classes—Laurel Second Avenue, Mrs. Hub Hosey, Mrs. Ossie E. Mahaffey, Mrs. M. G. Smith, Mrs. Lee Duckworth, Teachers; Jackson First, Mrs. Ralph Buck, Mrs. M. A. Elliot, Teachers; McComb First, Mrs. L. K. Barron, Mrs. Lillian Simmons, Mrs. Odie Bailes, Teachers; Jackson Parkway, Mrs. J. L. Barnett, Teacher; Mendenhall, Mrs. C. C. Crabtree, Mrs. Cecil McCann, Mrs. Clarence Thames, Mrs. W. C. Nichols, Teachers.

Junior Department—McComb First, Mrs. E. O. Murrell, Supt.

Junior Classes—Hattiesburg First, Loyal Soldiers, Mr. Grady Harris, Teacher; Booneville First, Bible Learners, Mrs. C. M. Morgan, Teacher; Jackson Parkway, King's Daughters, Mrs. Charles B. Paxton, Teacher, 12-Year Girls, Mrs. John F. Byrd, Teacher; Kosciusko First, 9-year Girls, Mrs. Jesse Brunt, Teacher; Mendenhall, 12-Year Boys, Mr. J. W. Walker, Teacher; McComb First, Marys, Mrs. Loubet Boyd, Sr., Teacher, Light Bearers, M. J. L. Pigott, Teacher, 10-Year Boys, Mr. Chester Laws, Teacher, Willing Workers, Mrs. E. O. Kendall, Teacher, Bible Learners, Mrs. O. K. Walton, Teacher; Meridian South Side, Workers for Jesus, Mrs. Grace Poythress, Teacher.

Two Mississippians To Retire



Shown above are Dr. T. L. Holcomb and Dr. J. B. Lawrence who are soon to retire. Both are Mississippians. Dr. Holcomb is secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board and Dr. Lawrence is secretary of the Home Mission Board. Dr. Lawrence's successor has not been elected. Another Mississippian, Dr. James Sullivan, will succeed Dr. Holcomb.

Pontotoc, First Breaks Ground For \$75,000 Annex

Pontotoc—With R. L. Ray, Sr., senior deacon and one of the oldest members, turning the first shovel of dirt, ground breaking ceremonies were held here Sunday for the new \$75,000 annex to the First Baptist Church. Following the ceremonies, presided over by Pastor James C. Monroe, members and friends joined in fellowship with dinner on the ground.

Guest speaker for the occasion was Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville. Dr. Holcomb was pastor of the church in Pontotoc when it was constructed in 1914.

To be constructed of brick as similar to the brick in the church as possible, the building will be 45 by 74 1-2 feet in size and will contain approximately 10,000 sq. feet of floor space.

No contract will be let on the new building, with all work being done locally. Frank Kincannon of Tupelo is the architect.

About \$45,000 in cash and pledges have been subscribed with nearly \$30,000 in cash. A fund campaign with an intermediate goal of \$10,000 cash now under way is meeting with remarkable success.

The building committee is composed of Lowrey Simmons, chairman; M. K. Griffin, Brantley Browning, Alvis Clark and J. W. Gray.

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First Church Greenwood Has Good Revival

The First Church of Greenwood experienced a genuine revival April 5-12 with 66 additions, 42 coming by baptism.

Dr. Norman W. Cox, formerly of Mississippi, was the evangelist while George Kester of Ohio served as song leader. During the revival two Sunday morning services were conducted to accommodate the congregation.

The church has adopted this as a regular Sunday morning procedure.

Dr. J. H. Kyzar began his seventh year as pastor on April 20.

W. B. Boatner Accepts Union Association Post

W. B. Boatner, pastor of Grace Church, in Vicksburg, has accepted the position as superintendent of missions of Union Association and has already begun work.

The Rev. Mr. Boatner is a graduate of Clarke College and Mississippi College and attended New Orleans Seminary.

He will make his home temporarily at Port Gibson until a permanent residence is determined.

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Chaplain Submits Figures About Parchman Work

According to Chaplain S. B. Harrington, there is widespread interest in religious activities among the inmates at Parchman prison. He states that wherever he goes people exhibit much interest in affairs at this state institution. In answer to many of the questions asked of him, Mr. Harrington prepared a summary of the activities of the Chaplains' Department for a three year period. The period covered is 1950-52.

Visits to Camps	1,922
Services	680
Attendance at Services:	
White Men	28,334
White Women	181
Colored Men	45,693
Colored Women	2,740
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	77,382
New Men Interviewed by the Chaplain	842
Literature Distributed, (Pieces)	48,225
Religious Movies	232
Commitments of Faith	312
Radio Programs (Parchman on the Air)	20

Concerning the work Mr. Harrington says that much credit goes to many fine Christian men and women who help to make his work more widespread. They have contributed, he says, their time, money, literature and services in a sacrificial manner. Included in his thanks are the employee families and the administration.

Near The Baptist Hour

Rev. Charles Wellborn will be the preacher on the Baptist Hour Program Sunday, May 3. His message will be broadcast by 330 stations.

Mississippi has the following stations carrying the Baptist Hour: WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WGLC, Centerville, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 4:00 p. m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.; WJPR, Greenville, 6:00 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WLSM, Louisville, 8:30 p. m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9:00 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 4:00 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRJW, Picayune, 1:00 p. m.; VIM, Vicksburg, 5:30 p. m.; and WDOB, Canton, 5:00 p. m.

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NEW ZION CHURCH HAS YOUTH WEEK

The young people of New Zion Church, Copiah County have just completed a youth week program and to climax the week's services Sunday afternoon, our new pastor, Rev. D. L. Callender was ordained.

Rev. R. J. Sweetman of County Line was ordaining minister and moderator. Jesse Clower served as Clerk. The scripture was read by N. F. Barlow from Greenwood Baptist Church, McComb; prayer was led by E. E. Maddox of County Line.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Emmitt Moak of Greenwood Church, McComb, the charge to the candidate, T. N. Henderson of New Zion; the charge to the church, L. W. Brewer, McComb.

JESSE CLOWER

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The Mississippi Baptist Foundation has just received a check for \$5,000 for Blue Mountain College endowment, it has been announced by Dr. Harry Le Spencer, executive secretary. The gift was made by a woman in the state as a memorial to her late husband, and she desired her identity not be publicized.

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Woman's College To Observe Home Coming Day On May 2

BY DR. I. E. ROUSE

May 2 is annual Homecoming Day at Mississippi Woman's College, and those on the campus are looking forward hopefully to the return of students who have come in other days and gone away to their various places of service. It is also Parents Day. At least once a year we look forward to the coming of the patrons of Woman's College, that by a day on the campus together we might share the mutual joys of fellowship in Christian education.

It is also Pastors Day. The administration of Woman's College, in particular, craves the presence of our pastors, because they are a vital part of the procedure by which our Baptist colleges live and do their work. No group is in a better position to lead our people to think in terms of Christian education than our pastors.

The last, but by no means least, are the friends of Mississippi Woman's College, and girls interested invite these as our very special guests, that by spending a day on the campus a larger acquaintance might be made of the school and her staff.

It is our hope that all who read this article will accept it in a very personal way and come and spend leisurely a day at Woman's College and share in planned activities, which we trust will be of lasting value to all who come.

—BR—

Attention To All Associational Officers

Attention—Sunday School, Training Union and Brotherhood Associational officers—looking for a good program for a regular meeting?

The film "How Much" has been used at such meetings lately with a fine response.

The film carries a definite stewardship message, is 16 minutes long, black and white, 16 mm. and can be secured free of rental by writing to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, State Convention Board, Box 530, Jackson.

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CONSTRUCTION STARTS ON BROADMOOR CHURCH

Broadmoor Church, Jackson, began the construction of its new educational building this week. The new construction will be the first of four units in a long range program. This unit will cost approximately \$125,000 and will consist of an auditorium with a seating capacity of 500, which will become a fellowship hall when the long range program is completed.

The location of the new structure is on Northside Drive at Manhattan Road. The present property will be sold after the building now in use is moved to the new location.

The pastorium, which is now under construction, will be ready for occupancy by July 1. Its location is on Northside Drive at Meadow Hill Road. The house and lot are valued at \$22,000.

Churches Continue To Prepare For Stewardship Week

Churches continue to commit themselves to Christian Stewardship Week, Oct. 18-25 by sending confirmation to W. R. Roberts, general chairman of the Week in Mississippi.

Suggested step No. 1—lead your church to agree to participate in the week by conducting a School of Stewardship Oct. 18-25.

Suggested step No. 2—Send this confirmation to Mr. Roberts, Box 530, Jackson.

Below is another list of committed churches:

Cold Spring, Covington Co., Rev. Billy Ingram.

Mendenhall, Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr.

Wayside, Warren Co., Rev. C. R. Maples.

Montrose, Clarke Co., Rev. Luther S. Litchfield.

Houlka, Rev. Arthur Leslie.

Meridian, Grandview Chapel, Rev. L. T. Dyess.

Bellefontaine, Jackson Co., Rev. Carl A. Hudson.

Shiloh, Lawrence Co., Rev. W. W. Fountain.

Wheeler, Rev. Ivan Lowrey.

Crosby, Rev. Landrum Leavell.

Laurel, First, Dr. T. R. McKibbens.

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Pontotoc, First, Rev. J. Monroe.

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Philadelphia, Beacon St., Rev. James F. Kirkendall.

Aberdeen, First, Rev. C. W. Thompson.

Oak Grove, Lauderdale Co., Rev. Elton Moore.

Okolona, Rev. B. L. Mohon.

Columbus, First, Dr. S. R. Woodson.

New Prospect, Union Co., Rev. Clark Rakestraw.

Magee, Rev. J. B. Smith.

Boyle, Rev. J. F. McCrary.

Greenville, Calvary, Dr. Ernest D. Elliott.

Salem, Covington Co., Rev. H. D. Jordan.

Bentonla, Rev. W. L. Marsh.

Centreville, Rev. E. L. Howell.

Robinson, Mississippi Ass'n., Rev. Harry C. Mann.

Carson, Rev. Ralph Graves.

Florence, Steens Creek, Rev. L. C. Hoff.

McLain, First, Rev. J. T. Tolar.

Calvary, Marion Co., Rev. E. Y. Soileau.

Brookhaven, First, Dr. Brooks, H. Wester.

Bethesda, Hinds Co., Rev. R. R. Tipton.

Moss Point, First, Rev. W. L. Stagg, Jr.



Gum Grove, Lincoln Co., Rev. J. M. Spikes.

Fayette, Rev. George H. Moseley.

Antioch, Lawrence Co., Rev. Burt E. Lewis.

Macedonia, Lincoln Co., Rev. A. W. Talbert.

Meridian, First, Dr. Walter Moore.

Corinth, Tate St., Rev. M. Glenn Smith.

Lena, Rev. G. W. Smith.

Columbus, East End, Rev. K. Z. Stevens.

Greenwood, First, Dr. J. H. Kyzar.

Unity, Union Association, Rev. Jewell Sanderson.

Meridian, 15th Avenue, Rev. Jack Southerland.

Causeyville, Lauderdale Co., Dr. O. P. Moore.

Bethsadia, Neshoba Co., Dr. O. P. Moore.

Meridian, State Boulevard, Rev. W. H. Henderson.

Jackson, Parkway, Dr. G. Norman Price.

Mt. Horeb, Covington Co., Rev. Eugene Farr.

Philadelphia, Lafayette Co., Rev. Eugene Farr.

Cleveland, Morrison Chapel, Rev. Joseph Oliver.

Belzoni, Rev. C. A. Molpus.

Brandon, Rev. Carey Cox.

Starkville, First, Dr. Wilburn S. Smith.

Wallerville, Union Co., Rev. Wayne King.

Laurel, Second Avenue, Rev. J. H. Street.

Danville, Alcorn Co., Rev. R. L. Page.

Jackson, Broadmoor, Rev. L. Gordon Sansing.

Winona, First, Rev. C. B. Hamlett.

State Line, Rev. Martin V. McKinster.

Midway, Hinds Co., Rev. Ray M. Dykes.

D'lo, Rev. John E. Schoolar.

Salem, Hinds Co., Rev. Theo. E. Lea.

Shiloh, Winston Co., Rev. E. P. Keen.

Wildwood, Jones Co., Rev. J. M. Fox.

Hickory Flat, Rev. Charlie Bryant.

Grenada, First, Dr. John Landrum.

Good Hope, Neshoba Co., Rev. Clark Patterson.

Horn Hill, Rankin Co., Rev. Clark Patterson.

Bay Springs, Dr. Cecil W. Jones.

Pascagoula, Calvary, Rev. M. S. Varnado.

Hickory Ridge, Rankin Co., Rev. J. M. Majors.

Cathings, Sharkey-Issaquena Association, Rev. Bryon Scruggs.

New Augusta, Rev. B. Aaron Foy.

VBS Notice

All Vacation Bible School Superintendents are asked to mail at the close of the school a card showing the enrolment and the amount of the offering. These reports will be published at the end of each month. The style will be the same as the Sunday school attendance which now appear regularly in the Baptist Record. As it is no longer news that a church has a Vacation Bible School, the Baptist Record does not plan to run articles about individual Vacation Bible School. A few years back it was news that a church had a Vacation Bible School; now it would be news if a church did NOT have one.

In case something unusual occurs in connections with a Vacation Bible School, then an article or a Sparks and Splinters would be in order. But the mere fact that a school was held that an offering was taken and that a commencement was observed is not news.

In case a photograph is used in connection with a VBS report, the sender should also state to whom the cut is to be charged. There is no charge for using cuts, but the Baptist Record must send photographs to an engraver to have cuts made.

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Visit The Radio-TV Booth At Houston Convention

All of those attending the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston May 5-10, are cordially invited to visit the Exhibition Booth of our Radio and Television Commission.

On display will be a scrapbook with pictures of all Baptist Hour speakers through the years, a display of stories that have been published about the work in a number of our denominational publications, and a number of other things.

One of the folders on display gives a complete picture of all the activities of our organization; others give information as to how pastors and other church leaders can use radio and television most effectively.

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Mississippi College Band Tour Scheduled

Presenting "Services of Sacred Music" the Mississippi College Band will make two tours soon. It has been announced by Prof. W. B. Duda, director.

The schedule follows:

May 3-11 a. m. Union Church, Union.

3 p. m. Forest.

7:30 p. m. Brandon.

May 10-11 a. m. Center Terrace; Canton.

3 p. m. Pickens.

7:30 p. m. Lexington.

Churches desiring the band for services of sacred music next year should contact Prof. Duda, Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.

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Good Hope Church, near Richton, will observe annual Homecoming Day on Sunday, May 3. Lunch will be served in the afternoon with Rev. Johnny Foy as speaker. Rev. J. D. Lunday is pastor.

Work In South America Thrills Dr. Leavell

SEES MANY MISSIONS

By DR. R. Q. LEAVELL

Editor's Note: Here are some experiences of Dr. Leavell during his recent trip to South America.

Orchids are growing in the room and along the fence rows. Lush tropical green trees, vines, fruits and flowers are seen in all directions. A "rainbow division" of the human race, with people of every color and culture of the world may be observed daily. Veteran missionaries and new recruits are laboring happily in the Lord.

Recife, offers these and many other delights: A School of Theology, A School of Religious Education, a School of Sacred Music, a W. M. U. Training School and a Baptist college for all ages from kindergarten through senior college rank, all work cooperatively on one great compound.

In Recife our Baptist mission work is splendidly organized and advanced. This is the center of the North Brazil Mission, covering seven states. There are 60 Baptist churches in Recife and 289 in the entire mission.

The well-developed Seminary has 57 students, the Training School has 47, and the College has about 1200 of all ages. Dr. John Mein, former president, has been transferred to work in the Bahamas, because he is unwilling to retire having reached retirement age.

Educational and evangelistic activities are well balanced. Last year there was one baptism for every nine members. An airplane is operated by the Mission for work in the interior. Radio broadcasting, publication of literature, and teaching domestic art to mothers are some of the methods utilized for evangelization.

On Sunday morning I spoke through an interpreter to an audience packed into the Capunga Baptist Church, near the Seminary. Dr. J. Munguba Sobrinho, the erudite and eloquent pastor, teaches homiletics in the Seminary and is considered by some the premier preacher of North Brazil. Rarely does one meet so impressive a personality. That night I preached in the Torre Baptist Church, Rev. Antonio Dorta pastor. He too teaches in the Seminary. Scores, literally scores stood on the outside listening through the windows, because there were no seats nor standing room left in the auditorium. Pastor Dorta baptized eight.

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On July 10-12, the state-wide YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONFERENCE will bring young women from throughout Mississippi to lovely CAMP GARAYWA! State and southwide leaders will be present; home and foreign missionaries are coming; a varied and inspiring program is being planned for ALL. The cost is \$6.00.

The State Y. W. A. Council Officers pictured above will help plan and direct this Y. W. A. Conference at Camp Garaywa.

On February 14, 1953, the MISSISSIPPI YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY COUNCIL was formed. The purpose of this Council is to enlarge the missionary vision on the part of individuals and Auxiliaries. It will work with and through the 319 Y. W. A.'s in the state, and promote the organization of more Associational Y. W. A. Councils.

All young women interested in attending the Y. W. A. Conference in July should watch this column for further information; also write: Miss Nell Taylor, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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The names of seventy-five societies where every member gives through the Cooperative Program. Put the name of your society on a card, your name and address, and mail to W. M. U. Office, Box 530, Jackson, Miss. These societies will be featured at W. M. S. Camp.

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Sparks & Splinters

The Baptist Record is in receipt of a copy of Resolutions from the mission committee of the Calhoun County Association expressing appreciation of the work done by Rev. John B. Laney, associational missionary, who is going to a similar post in Carroll-Montgomery counties. The Resolutions note the progress of the work during the Rev. Mr. Laney's three years of service and commend him to his new field. The Resolutions were signed by Rev. J. B. Middleton, Rev. Clarence Cutrell and Rev. Jesse L. Morgan.

Bethel Church in Winston County, Rev. Paul Wilson, pastor, is showing signs of progress in all phases of its work, according to Miss Edith Haggard, Church Clerk. The church has gone from half to full time, a W. M. U. and Brotherhood have been organized, and a Butane Gas System has been installed. The pastor and family are now living on the field in the new parsonage. The members of the church plan to plant several acres of cotton for the benefit of a Building program. The church has had 14 additions and one girl to surrender her life to do Foreign Mission work.

The Big Ridge Baptist Church, North Biloxi, Miss., has recently conducted a revival meeting with three saved, one of whom was a former Catholic. Brethern N. G. Brown and Forrest Dean Eastham were ordained as deacons. Rev. E. D. Estes is the pastor.

The Southside Baptist Church, Columbus, observed annual youth week April 12-19.

Harold Barrar was Youth Week pastor and three different young people were used in the three main services of the week. The church always is blessed as the young people take over the entire program of the church. They lead the training union and taught the Sunday School classes. At the conclusion of the evening service after which the youth had taken over two adults came for baptism during the invitation. Plans are already set up for the same kind of program next year.

Although not quite complete, the new auditorium at Kreole Church was occupied on April 19. Built of Holly Springs Clay tile, the building is valued at \$15,000. It has a balcony, vestibule, church office and seating capacity of 400.

The Calvary Church, Bruce, Mississippi announces that the Rev. Lathan Bray, who is a student in Clark College will be ordained on May 3, at 2:30 p. m. All ordained Baptist ministers and deacons are invited to attend this ordination. Mr. Bray is the fifth young man ordained by this church within five years. The church has recently called Rev. Sammie Crawford as full time pastor and he has moved on the field.

Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. John Ira Hill, Terry; Rev. Howard Taylor, Clinton; Grover Grubbs Jackson; Rev. L. J. Stotts, Cranfield; Bill Speed, Jackson; Rev. Virgil Retcliff, Waynesboro; W. Earl Clark, Jackson; Rev. Van H. Hardin, Lucedale; Rev. J. B. Smith, Magee; E. C. Wheeler, and H. O. Wilson, Eden; Rev. Wilburn Breland, Philadelphia; Mrs. J. P. Walker and W. R. Walker, Clara; Rev. James P. Gilbert, Clara; Rev. Montie A. Davis, Raleigh; Mrs. A. W. Bryant, Mrs. W. F. Brown, Terry; Mrs. Sam Friedberg, Vicksburg; Rev. R. B. Patterson, Sr., Iuka; Rev. W. C. Blanton, Clinton.

The second Bible Conference at Clarke Memorial College, Newton, with Dr. W. A. Criswell, Pastor of First Church, Dallas, and Dr. William G. Colman, Pastor of Highland Park Church, Detroit, as the featured speakers, held its last meeting Thursday evening April 23 in the Newton Church with the largest attendance of any session thus far. Dr. N. Q. Geer, Pastor, First Church Philadelphia, spoke a number of times. Dr. Criswell and Dr. Colman have been invited to return for the conference next year.

Five of the Sunday School teachers of the Hebron Baptist Church, Jones County, received a Sunday School workers' diploma on Sunday morning, April 19, 1953. They were: Mrs. Weldon Pickering, Superintendent, Mr. Windel Pickering, Mrs. Robert Pickering, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pickering. Dr. E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary was guest speaker for the morning service and presented the diplomas. These are the first diplomas to be earned by any members of the church. Pastor J. J. Dorough and Mrs. Dorough hold the Workers and the Advanced Sunday School Workers diplomas. Two Sunday School Training courses have been conducted recently and several other workers are studying for a diploma as well as to be a better workman for Jesus.

The Ford's Creek Church, Pearl River Association, ordained Homer Smith and Sedgie Tyner as deacons, Sunday, April 19. Pastor W. S. Garmon preached the ordination sermon and deacons Solie Burge and Edd W. Burge assisted in the service.

The May issue of the Sunday School Builder contains a good idea for Cradle Rolls provided by Mrs. A. L. Knight, of First Church, Kosciusko.

Rev. G. A. Wells, who formerly held pastorates in Mississippi, has resigned as pastor of the Natlabany Church, La., to accept the Glade Church, Laurel.

The First Baptist Church of Washington, D. C. was voted to proceed immediately with the construction of the first and major unit of a \$2,000,000 church of Gothic design. The church will be built at 16th and O Streets, N. W., the same site which the church has occupied for the past sixty years. The present structure will be dismantled during the month of May and progress on the new edifice is expected to follow immediately.

The Spring meeting of the Winston County Association was held at the Evergreen Church Thursday, April 16. The meeting began at 9:30 a. m., and adjourned at 3:15 p. m. with the following on program: F. E. Skilton of Blue Mountain College; The Blue Mountain Quartet; Rev. Joe Abrams of Jackson; Rev. James Fairchild, Rev. W. L. Yeatman, Rev. R. H. Foy, Rev. W. O. Presson, Rev. Ivor Clark, Rev. H. C. Burns, Ernest Johns and special music from the Evergreen and Liberty churches. The Association was well attended and a bountiful lunch was served by the host church.

Sixteen were added to the church during the Youth Revival at Midway, Jackson, April 12-19. Rev. Bill Roby did the preaching and George Duke directed the music. Rev. Ray M. Kykes is the pastor. The young people took over all responsibilities during the meeting. "Teachers Enroll and Teach" is the title of an interesting article in the May issue of the Sunday School Builder. The author is Major W. E. Holcomb, teacher of adult men at the First Church, Jackson.

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Tutwiler

While the pastor, E. C. Edwards, was assisting in a revival at Lucedale we had the privilege of supplying for him at Tutwiler. During our many years with the Baptist Record we have preached all around Tutwiler, but this is the first time we had preached in that church. It was not the first invitation but the first one that we could accept. And believe it or not, even though the pastor was away the church was full. The Sunday School attendance and offerings were higher than the previous Sunday. This was probably due to the fact that there was a visiting preacher!

The people are greatly in love with Pastor and Mrs. Edwards and the work is going forward along all lines.

Record readers in Tallahatchie County are now listed as follows:

Bethany, 10; Brazil, 14; CASCILLA, 23; CHARLESTON, 162; CORINTH, 22; COWART 28; MT. PISGAH, 30; Friendship, No. 1, 13; FRIENDSHIP, NO. 2, 48; New Life, 12; Paul Church, 18; PAYNES, 67; PHILIPP, 50; Tip-po, 18; SPRING HILL 38; SUMNER, 51; TUTWILER, 94; WEBB, 78.

Thaxton Is No. 1061

Having been a pastor in Pontotoc county in years gone by we write with pride to announce that Thaxton Church, under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Boyd LeCroy, has made the Baptist Record a part of its program.

Pontotoc County Record readers are now listed as follows: Bellevue 19; CHERRY CREEK 53; ECU 6; ENNVILLE 36; Friendship 1; FURRS 38; Gershorm 5; Harmony 1; LONGVIEW 37; Pontotoc, FIRST 251; RANDOLPH 48; Shady Grove 2; THATON 51; TOCCOPOLA 38; TOXISH 52; Turnpike 1; Valley Grove 10; WEST HEIGHTS 56; and Zion 11.

Mt. Vernon Is No. 1062

Another Mississippi College ministerial student has come through. Rev. Howard Taylor, pastor of the Mt. Vernon Church in Webster county, has led the church to adopt the popular and progressive VERNON FAMILY Plan. After reading the Record for a few weeks on trial, the church decided they needed the Baptist Record to enable them to keep informed on Baptist affairs.

Record readers in Webster county are now listed as follows: ALA 20; Bluff Springs 10; Cross pads 2; Double Springs 16; Edgworth 14; EUPORA 161; FELLOWSHIP (BELFOUNTAIN) 30; Harmony 1; Lollar's Grove 1; MAN-EE 52; MATHISTON 74; MT. ON 37; MT VERNON 33; Monte sta 1; NEW HOPE 37; Old timberland 1; Philadelphia 13; pa 1; Spring Creek 1; and Walt-11 10.

New Hope Has Groundbreaking Ceremony



Ground was broken in April for the new two story Educational Building of the New Hope Church in Marion County. In the foreground is pictured Rev. Thomas M. Hall, pastor and P. B. McCain, Sunday School Superintendent, who was chosen as the one of the building committee to turn over the first spade of dirt. The church hopes to have this new unit ready to use by October.

Gaza Hospital Offered To Southern Baptists

"If it were certain that Southern Baptists would make the money available, there would be no hesitancy in recommending that the Foreign Mission Board take over a 92-bed hospital in Gaza," Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, said upon returning to Richmond, Va., after a six weeks' trip abroad.

Dr. Sadler said the 70-year-old hospital, established by the Church Missionary Society of England, is "the last vestige of Christian witness" in a Moslem area of 300,000 Arab refugees. Gaza, a seaport in southern Palestine, is now under the military sponsorship of Egypt.

United Nations officials say that the hospital which keeps two operating theaters going practically all the time, is recognized as the most outstanding of three hospitals in the area.

Three Hurdles

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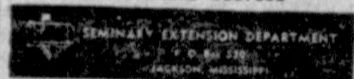
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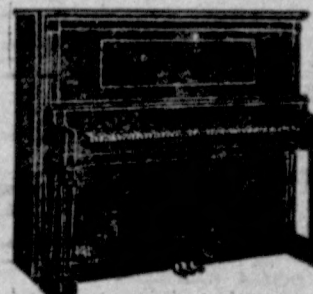
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III. PAUL'S FAREWELL TO THE ELDERS OF EPHESUS

On his last voyage to Jerusalem where he was cast into prison by the influence of the Jews, Paul met the elders of the great church at Ephesus at the renowned city at Minetus, the cradle of Greek philosophy, and made to them the famous address recorded in Acts 20.

In this address he reminded his Christian men of the faithfulness of which he had served his Lord while in the midst of them. He had served the Lord with all lowliness of mind, weeping over the needy estate of that great city, being grieved because of the trials through which he passed as a result of the plots of the Jews. But no sorrow which befell him or disappointment through which he

Mt. Vernon (Zion) Has First Youth Week



Mt. Vernon Church in Zion Association held its first Youth Week April 12-15. According to the pastor, Rev. Howard Taylor, the accomplishments of the young people were a challenge to the adults. Serving as Youth Week pastor was Bobby Waits; Sunday School superintendent, Jimmie Johnson; Training Union director, Howard Jennings; clerk and treasurer, Adell Tharp. Every office in the church was filled by the young people.

Shown above, left to right are: FIRST ROW, Sue Harrison, Sonny Tharp, Billy Harrison, Enoch Hughes, Jr., and Ronald Woods. SECOND ROW: Betty Jean Woods, Delane Tharp, Nancy Waits, Sarah Coor and Nancy Johnson. THIRD ROW: Martha Lou McCain, Geneva Waits, Francis Hughes, Decell Tharp and Adell Tharp. FOURTH ROW: Mildred Woods, Jean Cooper, Bobby Waits, Lula Mae Woods, Shirley Rivers and Josephine Tharp. FIFTH ROW: Terrell Woods, Howard Jennings, Jimmy Johnson, Robert Lynn Watson, Sonny Strickland and Otis Tharp.

The Youth Week came at the close of a revival in which Rev. Barney Loper did the preaching and Charlie Hedrick directed the music.

Sometimes I have called Corrente, as I call Mars Hill, North Carolina, a holy land of our faith. There lonely Bibles made lonely but vigorous Baptists and set them to work in a Sunday School and school of their making before ever preachers or colporteurs came.—William C. Taylor, missionary to Brazil.

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He preached to them in public and instructed them from house to house, so that his was not only a public but a private, personal, house to house ministry. His was a message summoning them to personal repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. Paul told the elders in last address to them that he knew he would never see them again; because in every place through which he passed in his journey he was receiving some assurance from God that bonds and afflictions awaited him in Jerusalem.

In spite of the fact that he never expected to see these friends again Paul's heart held no regret for the truth he had told them; because by testifying to them the whole council of God and withholding from them no truths simply because it might be disagreeable to them he had discharged before them his responsibility to God's

James Richardson Accepts Calvary, West Point

Rev. James Richardson has been called by the First Church of West Point, to serve as pastor of Calvary Mission.

The Rev. Mr. Richardson is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He has served as Music and Educational Director of First Church, Magee, and as pastor of the Knoxville Church, Tyler-town. He also served three years in the army during World War II.

Mrs. Richardson is the former Miss Narcissa Alexander of Boyle. The Richardsons have two sons, Jay and Gary. The Rev. Mr. Richardson and his family will move to West Point in May.

Blue Mountain, Miss., April 21.—The first term of the regular summer session of Blue Mountain College will begin June 3 and end July 8. The second term will begin July 9 and end August 14. Courses will be offered in Art Education, Bible, Botany, Chemistry, Education, English, Library Science, History, Government, Economics, Mathematics, Spanish, Public School Music, Music Appreciation, Voice, Psychology, and Audio-Visual Education.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

May 4—W. M. U. Special Day; Mrs. Sam J. Simmons, Grenada Associational WMU Superintendent.

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May 10—Mother's Day Hospital Offering; G. A. Focus Week.

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The Adult Sunday School Class of the Bolton Church at its last business meeting heard an essay read by Mrs. W. F. Smith that she wrote fifty years ago, entitled, "Why We Should Love the Bible". A poem, "Together" was read by Mrs. C. A. Smith and another "Faith" was read by Mr. Ada Caraway. "Permanency in Soul-Winning" was given by Mrs. J. M. Cox.

According to a NAE news release, there are now more Catholic Assistant Secretaries of State than there were under Mr. Acheson.

PRACTICAL CHURCH PUBLICITY (2.25) by Richmond O. Brown has recently been released by the Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee. Few churches seem to realize how much they can extend their influence through publicity. To help build that Christian influence, many may be willing but few are prepared. This book gives practical answers to such questions as how can I get my church in the news, what church events and personalities make news, when should be begin to advertise a meeting, etc. This how-to-do-it book takes the reader step-by-step from the basic through the advanced stages of a whole catalogue of publicity methods. It reveals sources of publicity which most churches overlook. Well written, clearly organized, and based on varied experiences in church life, it will appeal to both pastor and layman. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

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GOING PLACES

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Tutwiler

While the pastor, E. C. Edwards, was assisting in a revival at Lucedale we had the privilege of supplying for him at Tutwiler. During our many years with the Baptist Record we have preached all around Tutwiler, but this is the first time we had preached in that church. It was not the first invitation but the first one that we could accept. And believe it or not, even though the pastor was away the church was full. The Sunday School attendance and offerings were higher than the previous Sunday. This was probably due to the fact that there was a visiting preacher!

The people are greatly in love with Pastor and Mrs. Edwards and the work is going forward along all lines.

Record readers in Tallahatchie County are now listed as follows:

Bethany, 10; Brazil, 14; CASCILLA, 23; CHARLESTON, 162; CORINTH, 22; COWART 28; MT. PISGAH, 30; Friendship, No. 1, 13; FRIENDSHIP, NO. 2, 48; New Life, 12; Paul Church, 18; PAYNES, 67; PHILIPP, 50; Tip-po, 18; SPRING HILL 38; SUMNER, 51; TUTWILER, 94; WEBB, 78.

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Having been a pastor in Pontotoc county in years gone by we write with pride to announce that Thaxton Church, under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Boyd LeCroy, has made the Baptist Record a part of its program.

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Mt. Vernon Is No. 1062

Another Mississippi College ministerial student has come through. Rev. Howard Taylor, pastor of the Mt. Vernon Church in Webster county, has led the church to adopt the popular and progressive VERY FAMILY Plan. After reading the Record for a few weeks on trial, the church decided they needed the Baptist Record to enable them to keep informed on Baptist affairs.

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New Hope Has Groundbreaking Ceremony



Ground was broken in April for the new two story Educational Building of the New Hope Church in Marion County. In the foreground is pictured Rev. Thomas M. Hall, pastor and P. B. McCain, Sunday School Superintendent, who was chosen as the one of the building committee to turn over the first spade of dirt. The church hopes to have this new unit ready to use by October.

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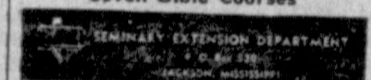
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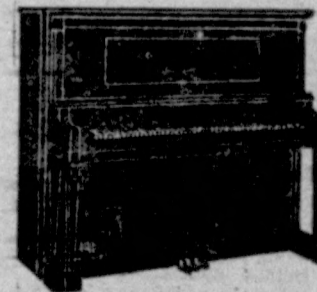
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And what was the result of this work of the Lord's big man in this sinful city. "All they that dwelt in Asia (Asia Minor) heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks and what came as a result of this hearing? So many people deserted the worship of the temple was one of the seven wonders of the ancient world, that the makers of the images of the heathen goddess grew alarmed at the decline of their business and raised a mob against Paul. As a result of which he was forced to leave the city.

III. PAUL'S FAREWELL TO THE ELDERS OF EPHEBUS

On his last voyage to Jerusalem where he was cast into prison by the influence of the Jews, Paul met the elders of the great church at Ephesus at the renowned city at Minetus, the cradle of Greek philosophy, and made to them the famous address recorded in Acts 20.

In this address he reminded his Christian men of the faithfulness of which he had served his Lord while in the midst of them. He had served the Lord with all lowliness of mind, weeping over the needy estate of that great city, being grieved because of the trials through which he passed as a result of the plots of the Jews. But no sorrow which befell him or disappointment through which he

Mt. Vernon (Zion) Has First Youth Week



Mt. Vernon Church in Zion Association held its first Youth Week April 5-12. According to the pastor, Rev. Howard Taylor, the accomplishments of the young people were a challenge to the adults. Serving as Youth Week pastor was Bobby Waits; Sunday School superintendent, Jimmie Johnson; Training Union director, Howard Jennings; clerk and treasurer, Adell Tharp. Every office in the church was filled by the young people.

Shown above, left to right are: FIRST ROW, Sue Harrison, Sonny Tharp, Billy Harrison, Enoch Hughes, Jr., and Ronald Woods. SECOND ROW: Betty Jean Woods, Delane Tharp, Nancy Waits, Sarah Coor and Nancy Johnson. THIRD ROW: Martha Lou McCain, Geneva Waits, Francis Hughes, Decell Tharp and Adell Tharp. FOURTH ROW: Mildred Woods, Jean Cooper, Bobby Waits, Lula Mae Woods, Shirley Rivers and Josephine Tharp. FIFTH ROW: Terrell Woods, Howard Jennings, Jimmy Johnson, Robert Lynn Watson, Sonny Strickland and Otis Tharp.

The Youth Week came at the close of a revival in which Rev. Barney Loper did the preaching and Charlie Hedrick directed the music.

Sometimes I have called Corrente, as I call Mars Hill, North Carolina, a holy land of our faith. There lonely Bibles made lonely but vigorous Baptists and set them to work in a Sunday School and school of their making before ever preachers or colporteurs came.—William C. Taylor, missionary to Brazil.

passed withheld him from preaching to them the whole council of God.

He preached to them in public and instructed them from house to house, so that his was not only a public but a private, personal, house to house ministry. His was a message summoning them to personal repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. Paul told the elders in last address to them that he knew he would never see them again; because in every place through which he passed in his journey he was receiving some assurance from God that bonds and afflictions awaited him in Jerusalem.

In spite of the fact that he never expected to see these friends again Paul's heart held no regret for the truth he had told them; because by testifying to them the whole council of God and withholding from them no truths simply because it might be disagreeable to them he had discharged before them his responsibility to God.

James Richardson Accepts Calvary, West Point

Rev. James Richardson has been called by the First Church of West Point, to serve as pastor of Calvary Mission.

The Rev. Mr. Richardson is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He has served as Music and Educational Director of First Church, Magee, and as pastor of the Knoxville Church, Tyler-town. He also served three years in the army during World War II.

Mrs. Richardson is the former Miss Narcissa Alexander of Boyle. The Richardsons have two sons, Jay and Gary. The Rev. Mr. Richardson and his family will move to West Point in May.

Blue Mountain, Miss., April 21—The first term of the regular summer session of Blue Mountain College will begin June 3 and end July 8. The second term will begin July 9 and end August 14. Courses will be offered in Art Education, Bible, Botany, Chemistry, Education, English, Library Science, History, Government, Economics, Mathematics, Spanish, Public School Music, Music Appreciation, Voice, Psychology, and Audio-Visual Education.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

May 4—W. M. U. Special Day; Mrs. Sam J. Simmons, Grenada Association WMU Superintendent.

May 5—Jesse Hardin, Lafayette Association Training Union Director; Raymond Ellis, Clay Association Sunday School Superintendent.

May 6—Rev. Sam Brown, Choctaw Association Chairman of Evangelism; Southern Baptist Convention, Houston, Texas.

May 7—Dr. Moselle Ashford, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Mrs. Silas B. Cooper, staff, Mississippi College.

May 8—A. C. Dugger, faculty, Clarke College; Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, faculty, Woman's College.

May 9—Ralph Herrin, Covington Association Brotherhood President; Rev. W. A. Sullivan, Marshall-Lafayette Association Missionary.

May 10—Mother's Day Hospital Offering; G. A. Focus Week.

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The Adult Sunday School Class of the Bolton Church at its last business meeting heard an essay read by Mrs. W. F. Smith that she wrote fifty years ago, entitled, "Why We Should Love the Bible". A poem, "Together" was read by Mrs. C. A. Smith and another "Faith" was read by Mr. Ada Caraway. "Permanency in Soul-Winning" was given by Mrs. J. M. Cox.

According to a NAE news release, there are now more Catholic Assistant Secretaries of State than there were under Mr. Acheson.

PRACTICAL CHURCH PUBLICITY (2.25) by Richmond O. Brown has recently been released by the Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee. Few churches seem to realize how much they can extend their influence through publicity. To help build that Christian influence, many may be willing but few are prepared. This book gives practical answers to such questions as how can I get my church in the news, what church events and personalities make news, when should be begin to advertise a meeting, etc. This how-to-do-it book takes the reader step-by-step from the basic through the advanced stages of a whole catalogue of publicity methods. It reveals sources of publicity which most churches overlook. Well written, clearly organized, and based on varied experiences in church life, it will appeal to both pastor and layman. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

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Foreign Mission Board Reports To the People

Executive Secretary
M. Theron Rankin

DO SOUTHERN BAPTISTS DARE FOLLOW GOD OUT INTO THE WORLD OF TODAY?

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in its semiannual full meeting in Richmond, April 14-15 appointed 21 new missionaries, bringing the total to more than 900, voted to extend its work into Jamaica and Bolivia in an advisory capacity, reaffirmed its purpose of entering India and Pakistan when personnel is available and entry can be secured, asked for further exploration and investigation concerning an invitation to accept a hospital in Gaza, and faced gravely its responsibility in handling increased gifts of Southern Baptists.

Without any particular planning toward that end, the entire two-day session shaped itself around a Scripture theme used by Dr. Jas. N. Morgan, a Texas member of the Board, at the opening session: "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect; . . . but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

The Open Door

In his report, Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary, told the Board that forces are discernible which would bring in a period of advance in World Christianity. "It is my opinion," he said, "that world Christianity is standing today at the open door of his period of advance. But we have not yet entered."

"Do we dare follow God on through the door?" he asked. "Do we dare go with him in the dynamic of his love, as he responds to the expectancy of a world hungry for life that is worth living? To see all people of the world as he sees them? To accept with him the responsibility for all men of the world which he accepted in Christ Jesus? To share in his purpose to create of all men new men in Christ?"

"Do we dare?"

"Unless we are able to expand our present boundaries of thinking and action concerning God's kingdom, we had better not dare. The world of men in which God is moving today is expecting and demanding far more than can be produced by the token services which organized Christianity has become accustomed to render in the name of our God, who is giving all of himself in Christ for the world."

"There are those who are so disturbed that they are asking if the time may not have come when God will leave organized Christianity at the door of this new age of advance as being inadequate for this use and will raise up some new witness to follow him through the door and on into the new day. That can be possible. It has happened before in Christian history. But may it not be that the very fact that such questions are being asked is, in itself, another evidence of the moving hand of God in current

history, preparing his people for a new day of advance in his kingdom?"

Forces of Advance

Dr. Rankin continued: "These forces of advance have been stirring among Southern Baptists. Already they have carried us farther than many of us dared to hope when the Foreign Mission Board announced its program of advance in 1948. . . . Plans and achievements which we have thought of as being large now appear to be small. Only a few years ago, the thought of a foreign missions budget of \$10,000,000 was staggering; but not so today. . . .

"A few years ago we thought of 1,000 missionaries as being an almost unattainable goal; but not so today. Our churches and institutions in almost any one state of our Convention call for far more workers than that. When these figures are placed over against today's view of the world, they appear to be woefully inadequate."

"The significant thing is that our people in the churches are seeing and saying these things today. There is a growing concern for world missions coming up from the churches such as we have never known before, and the potentialities of which we have not yet learned to measure."

Dr. Rankin listed various ways in which this concern has been manifested. Then he added:

"As compared with the potentialities of Southern Baptists, the Cooperative Program is still in its infancy. . . . Is it not reasonable to believe that the increase in the dimensions of thinking of Southern Baptists about world missions can change the dimensions of our giving through the Cooperative Program for world missions? . . .

"There are forces which are moving among Southern Baptists to take us through the door and on out into the new day of advance in world missions for which God is preparing the world. They can take us far if we will go with them."

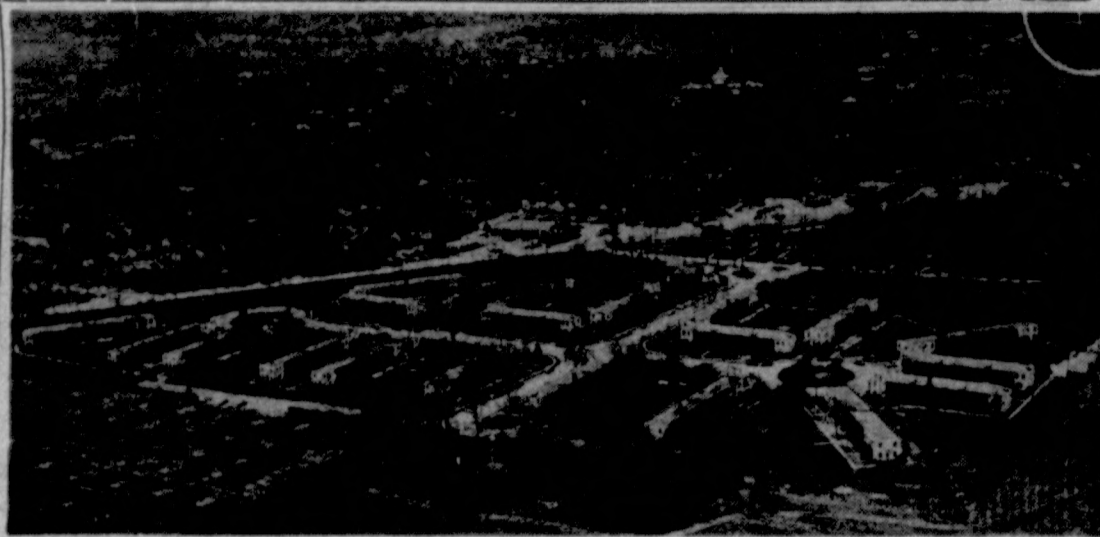
"Do we dare? If we don't, we had better start trying to turn back these currents of world concern coming up from Southern Baptist churches."

"If we do, we must enlarge the dimensions of our own thinking. . . .

"Why is it that we are afraid of becoming too large? There is a good reason. We are afraid that we may overextend the Board's program at a time of easy money and get caught with commitments which we cannot support at a time of tight money. I, too, fear such a possibility and am prepared to insist that we continue zealously to guard ourselves against it, as I believe we have been doing."

"But I have another fear. I am much more afraid of standing at the door of the new day of advance in the coming of God's kingdom and of having God pass me by as he moves on, seeking those who dare to follow him out into the world of this new day."

"I wouldn't dare be left standing there!"



GREEN TREE MANOR housing project recently purchased by the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. The 265 apartments on the 26½ acre site will be used to house married students with children, thus relieving somewhat the acute need for housing on the Seminary's campus. The apartments are only a mile and a half from the Seminary's campus, which is indicated by the cross mark in the upper right corner of photo. They will be available for occupancy almost immediately.

Farm And Ranch Magazine Takes Stand Against Liquor

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—Forbes McKay, president, Farm and Ranch Magazine, Nashville, Tenn., has announced that this magazine, read by approximately 5,000,000 southern people, has taken an unalterable stand against the publication of liquor advertising. Mr. McKay, a member of the Presbyterian Church, further stated that this has been done despite considerable pressure on the part of would-be advertisers who want their material in the eighty-four year old magazine.

"The matter comes up periodically and tremendous sums of money are involved. Farm and Ranch magazine is of the opinion its readers would not, under any circumstances, like to have children exposed to the type of advertising copy which is being printed to persuade young people to use alcoholic liquors," said Mr. McKay.

Mr. McKay, while speaking to the Promotion Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, March, 1952, stated they had turned down an order for approximately \$50,000 worth of illustrated liquor advertising. At that time he further stated that under no circumstances would the magazine accept advertising urging the use of alcoholic beverages. A reiteration of this stand has recently been made in view of repeated attempts of advertisers for their material to be published in Farm and Ranch.

The main purpose of the magazine is to help raise the standards of living, and the moral standards of the people who get the magazine. For this reason they have turned down another large order this week McKay said. Farm and Ranch Magazine has 1,318,000 subscribers and covers fifteen Southern states.

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DAYTON, Ohio —(BP)—Southern Baptists in Ohio will probably organize a state convention later this year, it was announced by the Ohio Baptist Messenger, state paper for the group. The executive board of the White Water Association (Southern Baptists in Ohio) voted to set the organization meeting the last week in November.

CHANGE SUGGESTED IN CONVENTION VOTING

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Each year when the Southern Baptist Convention meets, one hears again complaints that the Baptist body has grown so large and spread over such a great territory that no longer are the old methods able to maintain a spiritual and efficient democracy.

Matters of long-range policy, great issues, officers — and thus important Convention committees — are too greatly influenced by where the Convention meets, it is felt.

That Baptists seek the will of God in these matters is not gained, but it is quite obvious that even the most high-minded Christians are still subject to the weakness of the human touch and the personal bias.

If the Southern Baptist Convention were to meet in California, then in Illinois, then in Washington, D. C., then in Florida, then in Texas, although these Conventions would be made up of similar Baptists, the tone, temper, and personalities would be somewhat different.

This writer feels that a committee should be appointed by the Convention to make a study of these problems and report a proposed solution. The following is a somewhat unrefined illustration of a possible alternative to the present set-up:

(1) Allow each state in the Southern Baptist Convention a certain number of votes — the number to be determined possibly by the number of Baptists in a given state plus the number of dollars contributed by that state to South-wide causes. This is certainly not a new or untried policy among Baptists.

(2) Allow each state to determine how it will cast that state's votes. Perhaps, for instance, the state of South Carolina might determine that all messengers from the state attending the convention

as messengers might have a hand in casting the state's votes. In this way, while at the convention, hearing all the arguments, the messengers could determine how to vote. The chairman of the South Carolina delegation — or the equivalent derived from "messenger" — might call a caucus between the time of the debate on a question and the actual voting. And a convention program could be arranged with this in mind.

(3) It might be determined that only such matters as affect the total life of Southern Baptists — long-range programs, Convention officers, etc., would be voted on in this manner. For instance, parliamentary and functional issues might be voted on in the old way.

There are several reasons for believing that a change in the convention's method is necessary:

(1) The spread of Southern Baptist territory makes it difficult for many far away from the meeting place to attend.

(2) The spread of Southern Baptists into strange territory and the movement of people north and south and east and west are gradually introducing a different psychology and temperament among sections of Southern Baptist people. There are certain dangers in this fine thing unless power and policy making are kept spread out over the whole convention territory in a democratic manner, rather than being allowed to accumulate into sections, thus tending to divide the people.

(3) To a degree, this danger has already been off-set by a gradual delegated authority in the hands of the committees; but there is a terrific danger in committeeitis.

(4) Such a technique of voting would lessen the power of pure emotionalism.

(5) Unless some method is found Southern Baptists will be forced to divide, perhaps into sectional meetings.

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Of particular interest to song leaders is an edition of the Broadman Hymnal bound in a loose-leaf binder. The book lies perfectly flat and should be helpful to musicians and song leaders.